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legend to installations, such
as factories, barracks, air raid shelters, farming stations, etc., indicated on
a sketch of Plovdiv, which is also included.

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Bulgaria
City Plan of Plovdiv

1. The following legend refers to a sketch of the city of Plovdiv included as an appendix:

- (1) Railway bridge of the Sofia-Plovdiv line crossing the Maritsa River; this is the only bridge crossing the river in this area and is the only means of transportation for foodstuffs and miscellaneous merchandise to the southeast of Bulgaria.
- (2) Sugar plant, one of the largest in Bulgaria; it employs approximately 350 workers;
- (3) Infantry barracks; in the southern part of this barracks there are several garages used for housing small armored units (T-34's), composed of approximately 15-20 tanks each; this barracks is known as the 9 Brigade Barracks, but the number of the unit presently assigned here has been changed
- (4) Parade ground and firing range of the armed forces; on the western part is a small barracks which can house approx 300 men and in which is located a Signal Corps unit; in this barracks there are also installed road casting equipment used by the unit housed in the barracks described in No. 3 above;
- (5) Barracks for the unit of the Ministry of Interior; in the southern part of this barracks there are garages;

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- (6) Dzhenden Tepe: one of the hills within the city of Plovdiv; on the top of this hill there is an observation post with anti-aircraft artillery emplacements; at the foot of the hill near the barracks of the Ministry of Interior troops described in No. 5 above, is a small government hospital; access to the hill is absolutely prohibited.
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- (7) Vegetable depot; produce from all the areas are brought hereto be shipped to the various parts of the country;
- (8) Old barracks now used as a warehouse; a small military unit (with black shoulder boards) is quartered here;
- (9) Bunardzhik Tepe; a high stony, rocky, hill; it is traversed by three tunnels; on the top of the hill there is a broadcasting station which allegedly is used for jamming western radio broadcasts; here too, there is an antiaircraft battery;
- (10) Plovdiv ~~exposition~~ area; it is crossed by railway tracks which are not shown on the map; when the exposition is closed the buildings are used as ~~wa~~ warehouses;
- (11) Voenna Palata; in which are located the services of the General Staff of the Plovdiv army; there is also an officers' advanced ~~wa~~it training course here; the building is 5 stories high, 150-180 meters long and 30-50 meters wide. Near the main building there are several private homes for housing approx 70 army men; the building is surrounded by a small garden and has a small square for training the officers; /there is located a new bridge (east of the building) which joins the two parts of the city of Plovdiv; in the ~~easter~~ part there is the old bridge.

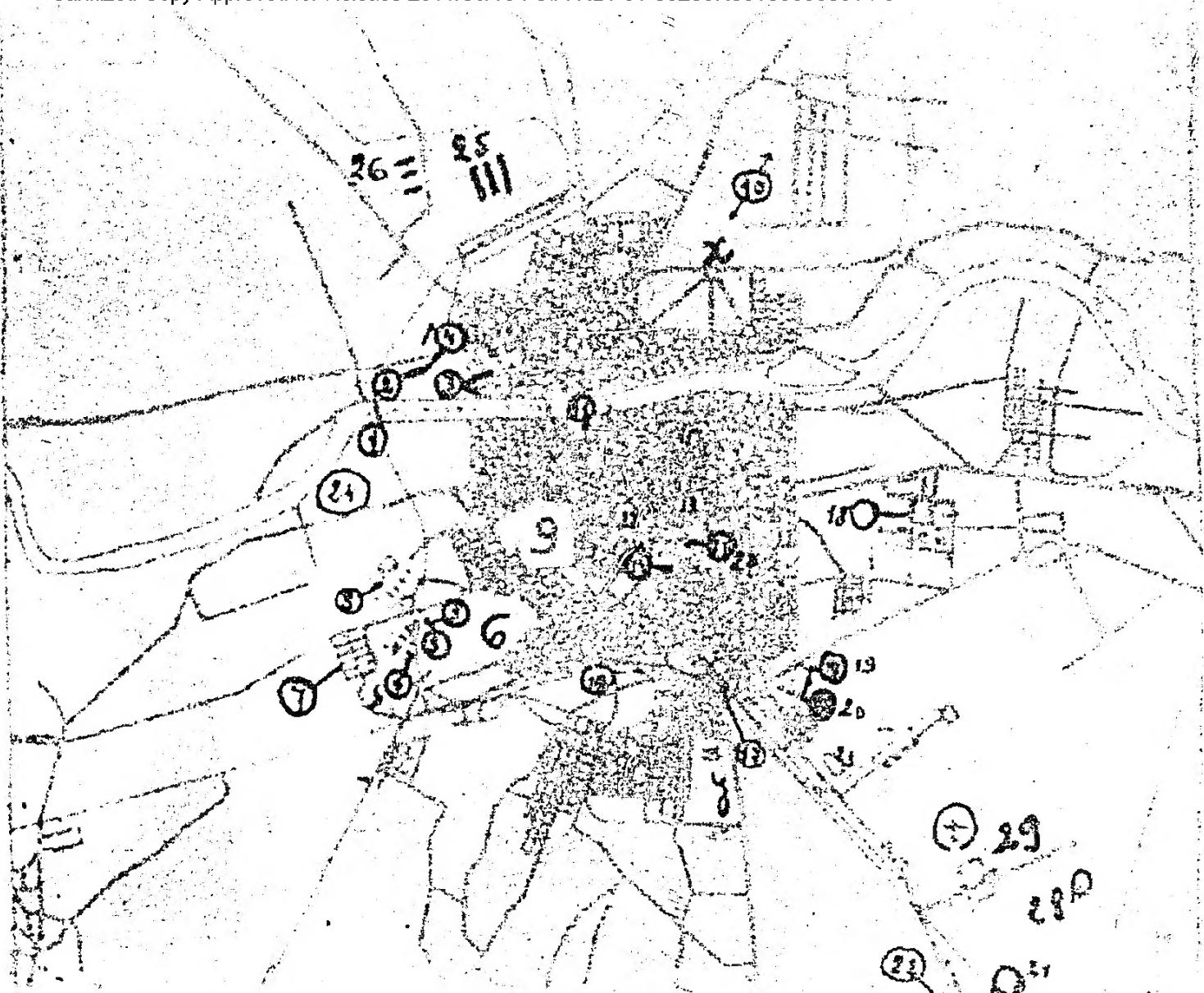
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- (12) Sakhat Tepe; a rocky hill; here, too, several tunnels are being excavated which will be used in time of war as shelters for the more important services of the city and for the General Staff; On the top of the hill there has been erected a building in concrete equipped with a low tower with small windows; this construction of this building was completed approximately in March 1956; access to this hill is strictly prohibited and it is guarded by sentries.
- (13) Dzhambaz Tepe, a small hill; here, too, tunnels have been excavated, but access to it is relatively free. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
- (14) MVR Okoliya Command; at the foot of which are several shelters for
- (15) Malkoto Tepe, a low rocky hill/~~xxxxx~~ the civilian population;
- (16) Railway station for passengers and freight;
- (17) Barracks of a large unidentified artillery unit;
- (18) Barracks for Trudovaks;
- (19) Automobilen Park, a depot for public transportation (busses) of the city with garages, workshops, etc;
- (20) Vagonen Park, depot for railway cars; these are transferred to the railway station when needed;
- (21) Lokomotiven Park, depot for the repair of locomotives;
- (22) Stadium;
- (23) New stadium located near the Maritsa River;
- (24) Area in which is located textile factory which is the largest of its kind in Bulgaria; approx 3500 workers are employed here;
- (25) Area in which is located a factory for the production of canned vegetables and meat; the major part of the industry of the city of Plovdiv is concentrated in this area;

- (27) Entrance to a public shelter; only 30 meters have been excavated and work was then stopped; according to plan this tunnel will join with the tunnel which comes out of Dzhamba Tepe;
- (28) In this area situated to the south of the airport there are several small hills known as "12 Grobnitsi" under which/hangars for airplanes:
- (29) Airfield;
XY In the area where the ~~Exposition~~ Fair is located(10), to the railway station (16)17, has been constructed a road which is not shown on the attached sketch; this will ~~xxxm~~ constitute the main artery for traffic in the city and will be completed within 1956.

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